GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Extension of the period of Petroleum Mining Lease for Oil and Gas over an area of 21 Sq.Km of Ravva Block onshore area, PKGM-1 Block of East Godavari District for the period upto 27.10.2019 in favour of M/s Cairn India Ltd - Orders – Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 173 **Dated: 08-12-2017**

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.155, Ind & Com (M.III) Dept., dt.04.07.1997.
2. PML Re-grant application of M/s Cairn India Ltd, dt.22.12.2016.
3. From the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Govt of India, Lr.F.No.Expl-13012(12)/2007-EXPL-PNG, dt.18.07.2017.
4. From the Director of Mines & Geology, AP, File No.26666/R2-1/17, dt.03.10.2017.
5. Govt.Memo.No.8809/M.III(2)/2017, dt.13.11.2017
6. From M/s Vedanta Ltd, Cairn Oil & Gas, Lr.No.RV/17/IM/APMG/174, dt.13.11.2017

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O R D E R:

In the reference 1st read above, Government have granted a Petroleum Mining Lease to the Ravva Oil and Gas field Joint Venture comprising of Oil & Natural Gas Commission Ltd., Videocon Petroleum, Command Petroleum (India) Pvt Ltd., and Ravva Oil (Singapore) for the Onshore portion of the Ravva Contract area of 21 Sq.kms falling in East Godavari District for a period of (20) years and the lease was in force up to 03.07.2017.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, M/s Cairn India Ltd., has filed an application for re-grant of Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) over an extent of 21 Sq. Km. of Ravva Block Onshore Area, PKGM-1 Block of East Godavari District for a period of (05) years.

3. In reference 3rd read above, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India has conveyed the prior approval for grant of extension of Petroleum Mining Lease to M/s Cairn India Limited over the subject area upto 27.10.2019 under Rule 5(1)(ii) of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules,1959 (as amended from time to time).

4. In the reference 4th read above , the Director of Mines & Geology, AP, has informed that the Dept. of Foreign Affaris and Trade has issued ertificate for change of name of Command Petroleum (India) Pvt. Limited to Carirn Energy India Pvt. Ltd. w.e.f. 01.10.1997 and the Govt. of India, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas approved the change of name of Cairn Energy India Pvt. Ltd. as Cairn India Limited. He has further stated that the merger of Cairn India Limited with Vedanta Limited is effective from 11th April 2017 as was approved by the National Company Law Tribunal Mumbai bench vide order Dt.23.03.2017.

5. The DM&G, A.P., has therefore, requested the Government to grant extension of the period of Petroleum Mining Lease for Oil and Gas over an extent of 21 Sq. Km. of Ravva Block Onshore Area, PKGM-1 Block of East Godavari District for the period up to 27.10.2019 in favour of M/s Cairn India Limited under Rule 5 of Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959, subject to satisfaction of other conditions issued by the Govt. of India and Govt. of Andhra Pradesh from time to time.

6. In the reference 5th read above, Government have proposed to grant extension of the period of Petroleum Mining Lease for Oil and Gas over an extent of 21 Sq. Km. of Ravva Block Onshore Area, PKGM-1 Block of East Godavari District for the period up to 27.10.2019 in favour of M/s Cairn India Limited

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under Rule 5 (1) (ii) of Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959 subject to submission of Environmental Clearance from the MoEF and Consent for Establishment (CFE) as per S.O.1533, dt.14-09-2006.

7. In the reference 6th read above, M/s Vedanta Ltd., Cairn Oil & Gas, has furnished the following documents:

1. Environmental Clearance dt. 31.03.2006 for exploratory drilling in onshore area of PKGM-1 block located in Chirayanam Village, Uppalaguptham Mandal, East Godavari District.
2. Environmental Clearance dt. 23.02.2015 for expansion of Oil & Gas development facilities in the existing Ravva field.
3. CRZ clearance dt. 25.05.2017 for expansion of Oil & Gas development facilities in the existing Ravva field.
4.Consent Order No.APPCB/VSP/RJY/546/CFO/HO/2-16, dt.22.07.2016 valid upto 31.10.2016.
5. Amendment consent order No.APPCB/VSP/RJY/546/CFO/HO/2016 dt.29.10.2016 valid upto 31.10.2016.
6. Auto renewal of Consent order dt.16.11.2016 valid upto 31.10.2021.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby grant extension of the period of Petroleum Mining Lease for Oil and Gas over an extent of 21 Sq. Km. of Ravva Block Onshore Area, PKGM-1 Block of East Godavari District for the period up to 27.10.2019 in favour of M/s Cairn India Limited under Rule 5 of petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, 1959, subject to satisfaction of other conditions issued by the Govt. of India and Govt. of Andhra Pradesh from time to time.

9. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Vijayawada shall take necessary further action after satisfying himself that the grantee fulfills all the required provisions of the amended Act & Rules.

Note: The extension is liable to cancellation, should it be found at later date that it was grossly inequitable or was made under a mistake of fact or owing to misrepresentation or fraud in excess of authority.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkand.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
SF/SCs. (C.No.8809/M.III(2)/2017)

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SECTION OFFICER